

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

**Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.**

**GREETING**

In the name of the Father ..... **Amen.**  
The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

**PENITENTIAL ACT**

Lord Jesus, you have shown us the way to the Father:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you have given us the consolation of the truth:

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you are the Good Shepherd, leading us into everlasting life:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

May almighty God have mercy on us..... **Amen.**

**THE GLORIA**

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father  
you take away the sins of the world:

have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer; you are seated  
at the right hand of the Father

have mercy on us;  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

**OPENING PRAYER**

Grant, almighty God,  
that we may celebrate with heartfelt  
devotion these days of joy, which we  
keep in honour of the risen Lord, and that  
what we relive in remembrance we may  
always hold to in what we do.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

**LITURGY OF THE WORD****FIRST READING Acts 15:1-2. 22-29**

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.**

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have your-selves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders. Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them:

'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us, and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

**The word of the Lord.**

**Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 66:2-3.5-6.8**

**R. Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.  
or Alleluia!**

1. O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your saving help. **[R]**

2. Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth. **[R]**

3. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him **[R]**

**SECOND READING**

**Apocalypse 21:10-14. 22-23**

**A reading from the book of the Apocalypse**

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

**The word of the Lord.**

**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!'**

**GOSPEL John 14:23-29**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words.

And my word is not my own: it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you;

but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you. Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return. If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you this now before it happens, so that when it does happen you may believe.'

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
All bow for following two lines:

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God,  
the Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge  
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. **Amen.**

**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

Pray brothers and sisters....

**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**



## focus on sunday

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 22nd May 2022

**Easter is a promise of God's peace,  
the promise of today's gospel. A peace which is at the depth  
of all life's turmoil, a calm beneath every storm.**

**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

May our prayers rise up to you, O Lord, together with the sacrificial offerings, so that, purified by your graciousness, we may be conformed to the mysteries of your mighty love. Through Christ our Lord.

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right and just.**

**SANCTUS**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.....

**AFTER THE CONSECRATION**

*The mystery of faith.*

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
and profess your Resurrection  
until you come again.**

**THE SIGN OF PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And with your spirit.**

**INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION**

Behold the Lamb of God, .....

**Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter  
under my roof, but only say the word and  
my soul shall be healed.**

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

**If you love me, keep my commandments,  
says the Lord, and I will ask the Father  
and he will send you another Paraclete,  
to abide with you for ever, alleluia.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Almighty ever-living God,  
who restore us to eternal life in the  
Resurrection of Christ,  
increase in us, we pray, the fruits of this  
paschal Sacrament  
and pour into our hearts the strength of this  
saving food.

Through Christ our Lord.

**CONCLUDING RITE**

The Lord be with you.

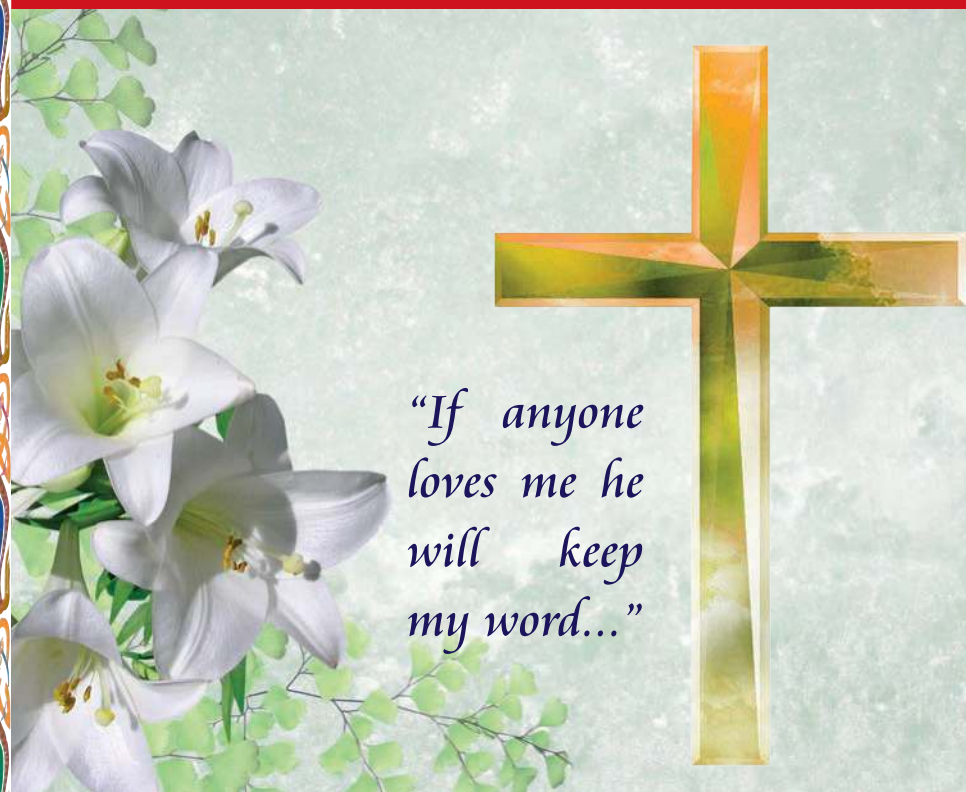
**And with your spirit.**

May the blessing  
of almighty God,  
the Father, and the Son, ✠  
and the Holy Spirit,  
come down on you and  
remain with you for ever.

**Amen.**

Go in peace.

**Thanks be to God.**



Very often people ask us to pray for them, or pray for people close to them. Praying for others is part of our Christian life and in the gospel today we see that Jesus is praying for his disciples, and for all who will believe through them.

He prays that we will always be with him. Love means wanting to be with someone, like friends, spouses, family. We need to give time to be with each other in ways that our relationships flourish. It's the same with our friendship with Jesus. Our moments of prayer bring us into his company; he is always there for us. There are many ways of praying: silence, vocal, meditation and contemplation, praise, sorrow and often asking for protection or help for oneself or for others. It is a good thing to give some time each day to answer the Lord's prayer that we be with him.

He prays also that others may believe through his disciples and through each of us. Prayer can help this – making our hearts more loving and compassionate and accepting of others. Our helping of others in generosity and love can nourish our prayer.

*Lord may your kingdom come in our hearts and in our service in your name.*

*Donal Neary SJ. (editor Sacred Heart Messenger)*

**Jesus' Story**

*Liam Hickey*



Jesus keeps reminding us that He has not gone away, He is not leaving us without friendship. He is with us in our journey home to God. God wants us to enjoy His creation, to make a better world in our mind and heart, to celebrate God and all goodness in our Mass.



# New Ross Parish, Church of St. Mary & St. Michael

Parish Office Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10.30am to 2.00pm. Closed Holy Days & Bank Holidays. Wide range in stock of Mass Cards, General Cards & Gift Ideas for all occasions. Mass Cards are also available in Nugent's Newsagents, Cooney's & Ryan's Funeral Homes.



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Radio Mass 104.7Fm & LIVE STREAM ON PARISH WEBSITE.  
All 8.00am Masses are in Mount Carmel Monastery Chapel



Date	Time		
Sat 21st May	5.00pm	Rita Byrne (nee Moran), Bosheen	1st Anniversary
Sun 22nd May	8.00am	Cynthia Gannon, Nunnery Lane	Anniversary
	9.00am	Liam Bruen, Dundalk	Anniversary
	10.00am	Beatrice Boland, Charleton Hill & her grand daughter Hayley Nolan, Woodbine Close	Anniversaries
	12.00 Noon	T. J. Hearne, The Maudlins Kay Tyrell, Mountgarrett	Months Mind Months Mind
Mon 23rd May	8.00am	Maureen Dwyer, The Ferry	Anniversary
	10.00am	James & Catherine Walsh, Bewley Street	Anniversary
Tues 24th May	8.00am	Sheila Roche, Bewley Street	Anniversary
	10.00am	Laurence Kehoe, Newbawn	Anniversary
	10.00am—8.00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	
Wed 25th May	8.00am	People of the Parish	
	10.00am	Birthday Intention	Special Intention
	7.00pm	Ms. Fitzpatrick's Class First Communion Meeting in Parish Church	
Thurs 26th May	8.00am	Hannah & Michael Duignan, Piltown	Anniversaries
	10.00am	Lena & Jim Connolly, Church Lane	Anniversaries
	3.00pm—4.00pm	Divine Mercy Holy Hour & Rosary in Blessed Sacrament Chapel	
	7.30pm	Bethany Group Open Meeting in St. Michaels Pastoral Centre	
Fri 27th May	8.00am	Kathleen, Jimmy & Mary Evans, Ballynacarrgy, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath	Anniversaries
	10.00am	Mary & John Butler, Rathnure & deceased family members	Anniversaries
Sat 28th May	10.00am	Parish Mass Association	
	11.00am	Ms. Fitzpatrick's Class First Communion	

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** We pray for the soul of Mary Murphy (nee Hennessy), Mount Garrett, who has passed away recently. May she rest in peace.

**ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS:** We remember & pray for the souls of Aisling Dolan, Stephens Court, Bob Quinn, Priory Street, Maureen Dwyer, The Ferry, Michael & Bridget Dalton & their son John, Chapel Lane, Maurice Doyle (11th Anniversary), Southknock, Hugh O'Conner (3rd Anniversary), Mount Garrett, Eamon Bradley (1st Anniversary), Co. Kerry, who's anniversaries occurs around this time.

**BAPTISMS:** Maximum of two candidates per Baptism. Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to book your child's baptism. Copy of Birth Certificate is required for the candidate. Photo ID is also required for the person making / requesting the booking.

Should you wish to have a loved one included in this section, please contact the Parish Office with the details by the previous Wednesday before 2.00pm.

## Sanctuary Lamps Intentions:

Available @ €10.00 per week.  
Commencing Saturday @ 10.00am.

**Our Lady's (Left):**  
**Beatrice Boland, RIP**

**Altar (Centre):**  
**Special Intentions**

**Joseph's (Right):**  
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## DATES FOR YOUR DAIRY

**Wednesday 25th May 2022 @ 7.00pm:** Ms. Fitzpatrick's Communion Class Parents & Pupils meeting in Parish Church.

**Saturday 28th May 2022:** Communion—Ms. Fitzpatrick's Class @ 11.00am

**Sunday 29th May 2022:** The Ascension of The Lord "World Communications Day"

**Sunday 5th June 2022:** Pentecost Sunday

**Monday 6th June 2022:** Bank Holiday Parish Office Closed.

**Saturday 11th June 2022 @ 11.00am:** Parish based Sacramental Programme Communion & Confirmations.

**Sunday 12th June 2022:** The Most Holy Trinity

**Sunday 19th June 2022:** The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ - Corpus Christi, procession around the grounds of the Parish Church will take place @ 3.00pm. As is the tradition we invite first communion children to attend & scatter petals along the way.

**Mon 20th June to Fri 24th June 2022:** Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Application forms available in Parish Office.

**Friday 24th of June 2022 @ 7.00pm:** Patron in St. Marys Cemetery.

**Patron Sunday 26th of June 2022:** Patron in Mount Carmel Cemetery after 8.00am Mass. Patron in Priests Graveyard, Parish Church Grounds after 12.00 Noon Mass. Patron in St. Stephens Cemetery @ 3.00pm.

As the graves will not be blessed individually by the Priests, due to a shortage of personnel, we therefore request that people bring their own Holy Water on the day to bless their graves with us during the Ceremony.

Congratulations to the Boys & Girls from Ms. O'Connor & Ms. Mears classes who received First Holy Communion on Saturday.

## PARISH INFORMATION.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL—NEW ROSS:** 085 8313073

**Radio & Live Stream Mass:** 104.7FM & New Ross Parish Website Live Stream, for all Masses including Funerals Masses except 8.00am in Mount Carmel Monastery Chapel.

**Mass Bookings:** We are currently taking Mass bookings up to and including October 2022.

**Next Weeks Readings:** THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD  
Acts 1: 1-11. Ps 46: 2-3, 6-9, R/ v 6. Eph 1: 17-23 or Heb 9: 24-28, 10: 19-23. Lk 24: 46-53.

**Confessions:** Saturdays after 10.00am Mass & before vigil Mass. Mon — Fri on request after 10.00am Mass. Please notify the priest before Mass in the Sacristy.

**Meals on Wheels:** Avail of our high quality meals available five days a week. To order just call 051-445711, Sr. Aidan Centre, Cross St.

**Safeguarding Representative:** Mairin Jackson - Contact No: (051) 421348 - Any queries in relation to working with children or adolescence within our parish please contact the above.

**Bethany Bereavement Support:** If you need support please ring 087 3846577. Drop in Centre in St. Michaels Pastoral Centre on the first Thursday of every month.

**Weekly Collection and Supporting the Parish:** Collections 15th May 2022 @ € 1,144.03 (Envelope No. 166) You can donate via. The Ferns Diocesan Website (www.ferns.ie) by clicking the big pink button. Thank you for the support.

**Please make all cheques payable to St. Mary & St. Michael Parish Church New Ross.**

**St. Michael's Pastoral Centre:** Available for Parish based activities, please contact the Parish office.

**Intentions for the living:** Intentions for the living will be announced as "Special Intentions" unless the person who the intention is for signs the GDPR Regulation Slip. Please advise at time of booking.

**Certificate Requests:** Request forms are available from the Parish Office. Certificate fees at €5.00 each. Photographic ID is required for the candidate including Photographic ID for the person who has been authorised by you to collect it. Collection on Fridays only.

**PRIEST ON DUTY (051) 421214:** Visitation of Sick / Housebound (First Friday Calls) We are anxious to visit those who cannot celebrate Mass with us due to illness, aged or infirm. Arrangements can be made to receive the sacraments at home by calling the Parish Office.

**Lectio Divina:** Every Wednesday morning at 10.45am for one hour in St. Michaels Pastoral Centre.

**Legion of Mary:** Meetings every Thursday afternoon @ 12.00 noon in St. Michaels Pastoral Centre. Contact: Alex Doyle, Tel: 087 273 8703.

**Radio Maria Ireland:** Radio Maria Ireland is an Irish run Catholic Talk-Radio Station. Prayer, Catechesis, uplifting music, Talks, Interviews and Testimonies—all Commercial free—Listen via Free App "RADIO MARIA IRELAND", streaming on www.radiomaria.ie or via. PHONE — get live radio feed by calling +353 (0) 1 437 3277 (no extra charges apply). Please join our growing faith Family!

**Irish Catholic Newspaper:** Available in the Parish Office @ € 2.50 each



Parents & Pupils meeting  
in Parish Church

Wednesday

Ms. Fitzpatrick's Class

25th May @ 7.00pm

First Communion  
Mass

Saturday

28th May @ 11.00am



Parish based Sacramental Programme First Communion  
& Confirmation @ 11.00am Saturday 11th June 2022.



The Rosary will be prayed every evening at the Grotto in the Irishtown at 7.00pm starting Sunday 1st of May 2022. All are welcome.



There will be a one day coach trip to **Knock Shrine** on Sunday July 3rd for the Ferns Diocesan Day Pick-up Points Wellingtonbridge, Ramsgrange, Campile, and New Ross  
Fare € 65 including two meals contact details Nicholas Bowe phone mobile 087 9418661.



## Diocese of Ferns Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2022

20th June 24th June. Led by the Bishop of Ferns, Most Rev Ger Nash. 4 Nights Accommodation in Lourdes. Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner each day. Hotels Padque, Solitude & Agena. Transfer & assistance between Lourdes airport & your hotel. Booking details; JWT 01 2410800 / [info@joewalshstours.ie](mailto:info@joewalshstours.ie)

## An Irish Pilgrimage Guide to the Holy Land

is a new book by Michael Kelly, Editor of *The Irish Catholic* newspaper which explores the places associated with the life of Christ. Michael, who has led many pilgrimages to the Holy Land, says he hopes the book can also act as an 'armchair retreat' for people who cannot travel to the Holy Land bringing the Gospel to life for them. It is available now from all good bookshops, [www.columbabooks.com](http://www.columbabooks.com) or by calling 01.687.4096 price €16.99

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## Blessing of Graves

There will be a Rosary Procession on Sunday 29th May for the Crowning of Our Lady. Leaving Ballybricken Green, Waterford City at 3pm and proceeding to the Dominican Church, Bridge Street for the Crowning of Our Lady and a short prayer service, finishing with Benediction. All are welcome, especially those children who received their First Holy Communion.

**New Ross Bereavement Support Group are organising an Open Evening entitled:- "Grieving in These Exceptional Times."**  
**The Evening will be facilitated by Grief Counsellor Brid Carroll and will take place on Thursday 26th May at 7.30pm.**  
**Venue: St Michael's Pastoral Centre, Michael St., New Ross.**  
**Everyone is welcome to attend.**

Four Rivers presents Bernard Farrell's "Happy Birthday Dear Alice" with a stellar cast including Catherine Byrne (*Fair City*) and Mark Lambert, directed by Jim Nolan. Farrell's much loved comedy will be St. Michael's Theatre, New Ross, June 4th at 8pm. Booking: 051 421255 / <http://www.stmichaelsnewross.com>

## Lough Derg Pilgrimage

**Tue. 5th July - Thur. 7th July 2022**

Bus leaving St. Peter's Square, Wexford at 6.30am [via Enniscorthy (Abbey sq.), Ferns (Bus Stop), Gorey (Hospital)], return to Wexford Thursday at 6.00 p.m. Island Fee: €80.00. Bus: €60.00  
Bookings: **Fr. P. Cushen, Ferns, 053-9366152**  
Mobile 087-2387559

**Ferns Parish Office 053-9366514**

Bookings taken and **seat guaranteed** with **€50 non-refundable deposit.**



The Diocese of Ferns invite you to a meeting to present the Ferns Diocesan Submission to the National and World Synodal Process as requested by Pope Francis. The venue will be the Riverside Park Hotel in Enniscorthy and the date is Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7.30 pm. All are welcome to attend. If you wish to read the submission in advance of the meeting, also called a Synthesis, then you can do so on the Hook of Faith Website. <https://www.thehookoffaith.com/>



*New Ross Parish Community strives to be a welcoming, life-giving PEOPLE, nourished by FAITH, WORSHIP of God and SERVICE of all in the example of Jesus Christ.*

